

**Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
Expedited Procedure – Art Unit 1624**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated April 30, 2008, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Remarks.

Remarks and Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.